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By: Deborah Hager**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For: **AN ACTIVE SURFACE EXCHANGE CATHETER AND METHOD**

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The following extension of time is requested to respond to the Office Action dated December 2, 2004:

three months to June 2, 2005; the extension fee is:

☒ \$510.00 ☐ \$1,020.00☐ The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action dated☐ An extension fee in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.☒ Charge \$ 510.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-1283.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1283. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

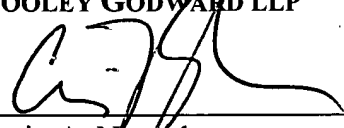
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